

REMARKS

In an Advisory Action mailed on 18 January 2008 (hereinafter, "Advisory Action"), claims 1-2, 5-6, 15-17, 23 and 24 were indicated as rejected. Applicant note that in a Final Office Action mailed on 1 November 2007 (hereinafter, "Final Office Action"), claims 1-2, 5-8, 11-19, 21 -22, 25-26, 28-33, and 35-54 were allowed; further, claims 1-2, 5-6, and 15-17 were not amended in the Applicant's response filed on 2 January 2008 (hereinafter, "Response"). In a telephone interview with the Examiner on 28 January 2008, the Examiner confirmed the allowable claims as indicated in the Final Office Action. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the interview.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the foregoing amendments and reconsideration of the application in light of the amendments above and the remarks below.

Rejection of Claims 23-24, 27 and 55 Under 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph

In the Final Office Action, claims 23, 24, 27, and 55 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Specifically, the Office Action contends that "medium" recited in these claims has not been positively disclosed in the present application. The Advisory Action maintained this rejection.

To expedite prosecution of the present application, in the foregoing amendments, claims 23, 24, 27, and 55 have each been amended to recite an apparatus comprising a processor. Support for such amendments can be found in the application as filed (see, e.g., page 17, lines 4-15). Accordingly, claims 23, 24, 27, and 55 should be allowable. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of these claims be withdrawn.

Claim 34

Claim 34 was rejected in the Final Office Action under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite (i.e., missing a period). In the Response, claim 34 was amended to obviate the rejection. Applicant believes that claim 34 is in condition for allowance.

REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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